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| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:                                    |   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2.   | This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. X   | This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. X   | The US has been elected (Article 31).   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. <b>X</b>  | A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | a. X is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | b. has been communicated by the International Bureau.   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. X   | An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | a. 🔀 is attached hereto.  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.   | Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | d. have not been made and will not be made.   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. 📙   | An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9. X   | An oath or declaration of the Inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10.  | An English language translation of the Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).  | annexes of the international Preliminary E      | xamination Report under PCT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Items  | 11 to 20 below concern document(s)  | or information included:                        |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. X  | An Information Disclosure Statement   | under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.                     |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12. 🗶  | An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13. 🗶  | A preliminary amendment.  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14.  | An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15.  | A substitute specification.   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16.  | A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.  |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17.  | A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18.  | A second copy of the published international Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |   |                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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